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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/13/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/13/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 01/13/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/13/2006
- Small Entity Statement filed on 01/13/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 01/13/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/13/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/13/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Additional claim fees of \$230 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are
 required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are
 due.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath
 or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27,
 must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$295 for a Small Entity:

- \$65 Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$ 230
 - \$50 for 2 total claims over 20.
 - \$180 for multiple dependent claim surchare.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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